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***GREENE VALLEY DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER RECEIVES
ACCREDITATION***

Recognized by The Council on Quality and Leadership

NASHVILLE – Greene Valley Developmental Center (GVDC) has attained a level of excellence rarely achieved by similar facilities: Accreditation by The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL). The recognition follows an intensive review of GVDC services by the Council. It is testament to the hard work of people living and working at Greene Valley.

During review of Greene Valley, the lead examiner for the Council, Nancy Condon, led an open meeting with consumers, families, conservators, GVDC Board of Trustees, GVDC Parent/Guardian Association representatives, Greeneville/Greene County Partners in Employment Opportunities, and the center's staff. During the review, stakeholders shared comments and testimonials to the exceptional quality of services provided by Greene Valley.

"The Greene Valley staff is dedicated to maintaining and building on community relationships and partnerships that will enhance opportunities and the quality of life for each person living at Greene Valley," said GVDC Superintendent Dr. Henry Meece. "Our staff has consistently embraced changes in service provisions necessary to meet the changing needs of people receiving services, and clearly our staff has elevated service delivery to excellence."

The Council on Quality and Leadership is an organization whose mission is to provide worldwide leadership for greater accountability, responsiveness, and quality performance in human and social service organizations and systems. The Council has more than thirty years' experience in evaluating services provided to people with disabilities and in consulting with organizations like Greene Valley on developing positive system changes.

Greene Valley has been in partnership with the Council for more than seven years, resulting in an enhanced quality of life for people receiving services at the center.

"I congratulate Bud Meece and the entire staff at Greene Valley on this prestigious and rare accomplishment," said DMRS Deputy Commissioner Stephen H. Norris. "It is reflective of a strong commitment, dedication and caring; lofty standards we have come to expect from Greene Valley. The entire Division is delighted and proud of their performance. "

Mental Retardation Services, a division of the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, promotes community based services and supports for Tennesseans with mental retardation and their families. The division also provides facility-based long term care at the state's three developmental centers that are Medicaid-based Intermediate Care Facilities for persons with Mental Retardation (ICF/MR). There are also private Intermediate Care Facilities in the community. To be eligible for these services the person must meet both Medicaid financial and medical criteria.

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